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1. BECAUSE HE WAS TIED UP WITH INTERMINISTERIAL MEETINGS ON TFAI, AND BECAUSE OF HIS APPEARANCE BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR A BUDGET DEBATE ON HIS MINISTRY NOVEMBER 19, STATE SECRETARY STIRN WAS UNABLE TO MEET WITH US PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE FOR DJIBOUTI NOVEMBER 20. HE ASKED, HOWEVER, THAT WE MEET ON NOVEMBER 19 WITH BERNARD POTTIER, THE OFFICER IN STIRN'S CABINET IN CHARGE OF THE TFAI PROBLEM.

2. WE WENT OVER THE POINTS IN REFTEL (A) WITH POTTIER,
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WHO TOOK NOTES AND PROMISED TO TRANSMIT THEM TO STIRN.

POTTIER'S PERSONAL REACTION TO THE IDEA OF U.S. DIPLO-
MATIC ACTION IN SELECTED CAPITALS IS FAVORABLE. AS HE
PUT IT, "THERE IS NO DIVERGENCE BETWEEN AMERICAN AND
FRENCH INTERESTS IN THE AREA." WITH RESPECT TO BILAT-
ERAL CONSULTATIONS AS PROPOSED PARAGRAPH THREE REFTTEL
(A), POTTIER SAID HE WOULD TRY TO GET AN ANSWER FOR US
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HE ASKED THAT WE COORDINATE WITH
THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, WHICH WE WILL PROCEED TO DO IMME-
DIATELY.
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